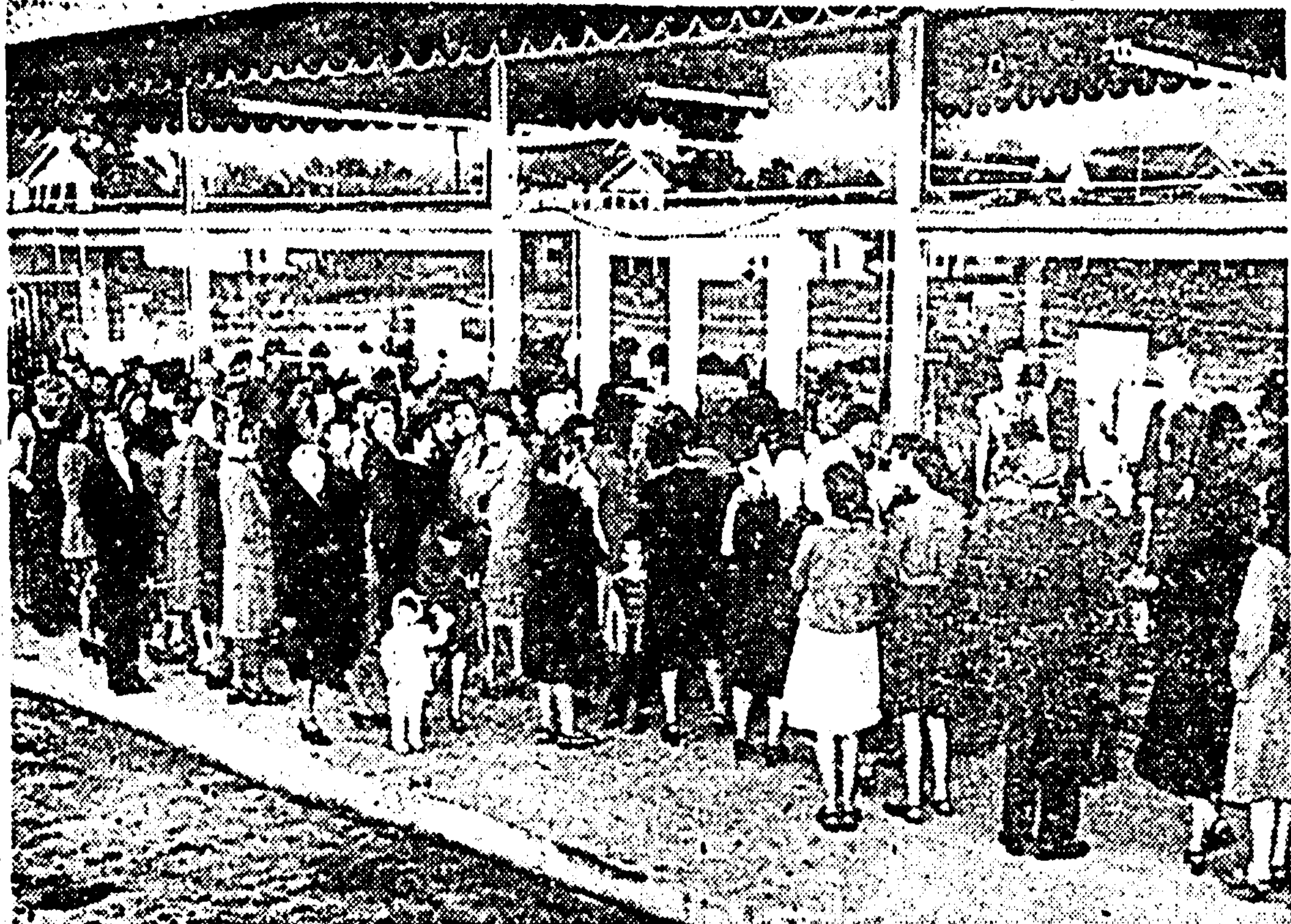


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Crowd Gathers for Opening of New Store



The large crowd that massed at the opening of the new Danburg's department store at 2930 North Shepherd Thursday, before the doors opened at 9 a.m., is shown above. Thousands of customers and onlookers visited the store to view the complete stock of merchandise.

NEW DANBURG'S  
STORE OPENS ON  
NORTH SHEPHERD

The opening Thursday of the new Danburg's department store, 2930 North Shepherd, at the shopping center at Shepherd and Thirtieth, was attended by thousands of shoppers as they started lining up long before the doors opened. The new store, which is the tenth Danburg's to be opened in Houston by Joe Danburg, owner, has a modernistic interior, and carries complete lines of wearing apparel, accessories and household needs. Two murals, each six feet high and 23 feet long, divided by a wall section covered with white tufted leather, was the big attraction of

the crowd. The murals were painted by Van Luit, Hollywood artist. "The prime purpose of the store is to make it convenient and attractive to women shoppers, who make up the large majority of our customers," Mr. Danburg said. The new building is constructed of brick and stucco, and is designed to present an attractive appearance from the outside as well as inside.

**A. S. Vavra, Botanist,  
Dies in Los Angeles**

Los Angeles, March 21.—A. Stephen Vavra, 79, who had conducted extensive botanical experiments in his gardens here during the last 22 years, died Thursday. The botanist was born in Czechoslovakia, and came to this country when he was 19. Botanical students often used his garden as an outdoor classroom.

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